

Tehran in exchange for minor and easy reversible modifications by Iran on its nuclear weapons program. Simply pushing back Iran's breakout time is not in the interests of the U.S. national security. Ensuring that there will never be an Iranian bomb is in our Nation's interest.

#### RUSSIAN BEAR IS ROARING AGAIN

(Mr. POE of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. POE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, while the eyes of the world are on ISIS, the Russian bear has quietly come out of hibernation. Putin is back after a brief hiatus, seeking to devour his neighbors and reclaim his kingdom while once again sending covert henchmen into eastern Ukraine. The Napoleon of Siberia is systematically trying to reestablish imperial Russia with him as the czar.

According to U.S. General Phillip Breedlove, recently, "new Russian tanks, Russian artillery, Russian air defense systems, and Russian combat troops have entered eastern Ukraine." News reports indicate five of the trucks were towing 120-millimeter howitzer artillery pieces, and another five were towing partly covered multilaunch rocket systems.

This sounds like an aggression to me.

Of course, the Kremlin lies and denies it all. And why is this aggression continuing? Because, on the world stage, America looks weak and leaderless. Reset buttons and red lines don't mean anything to Putin. Our hollow objections to Russia are meaningless. The Russian bear needs to stop its cold war II-type aggression and return back to the cave.

Mr. Speaker, what is America's plan? And that is just the way it is.

#### ELECTORATE VOTES TO STOP OBAMA

(Mr. WILSON of South Carolina asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, on October 2, the President promised, "I'm not on the ballot this fall, but my policies are on the ballot."

Clearly, America, which is not stupid, voted last Tuesday to stop his policies, which destroy jobs at home and weaken national defense abroad.

On Sunday, the Atlanta Journal-Constitution lead editorial explained, "The electorate took a peach tree switch to the donkey's hindquarters," resulting in Georgia and South Carolina achieving returning Republican victories for all statewide and Federal offices for the first time in 136 years.

Failed policies should stop and together we should work for positive change, such as opening Yucca Mountain to reduce the environmental risk of nuclear waste. The Boston Globe editorialized, "Resume funding the Yucca

Mountain project," and "Democrats should recognize that."

Additionally, the Keystone pipeline should be completed to promote energy independence with hundreds of permanent jobs in my home communities with Michelin of Lexington and MTU of Graniteville.

In conclusion, God bless our troops, and the President should take action to never forget September the 11th in the global war on terrorism.

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#### PROTECTING OUR RIVERWAYS

(Mr. SMITH of Missouri asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. SMITH of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, Missouri's Eighth District has more than 200 miles of the Mississippi River and is dependent on barge traffic to move our crops. This year, with one of the largest harvests on record, the Army Corps of Engineers closed a stretch of the Mississippi River that gets the harvest to market and did not adequately notify shippers.

This is absolutely unacceptable. My colleagues and I sent a letter this week urging the Corps to notify industries in advance of construction, and also to take market factors into consideration when planning construction in the future. The work the Corps does protecting our river system is vital, and we need to work to secure the Corps more resources to complete its mission, but construction must be scheduled appropriately and not at the expense of America's farmers and shippers.

#### COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Washington, DC, September 23, 2014.

Hon. JOHN A. BOEHNER,  
Speaker, House of Representatives,  
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on September 23, 2014, at 2:23 p.m.:

Appointments:  
National Council on Disability  
With best wishes, I am  
Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

#### COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Washington, DC, September 29, 2014.

Hon. JOHN A. BOEHNER,  
Speaker, House of Representatives,  
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on September 29, 2014, at 10:13 a.m.:

Appointments:  
John C. Stennis Center for Public Service Training and Development.  
Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance.

John C. Stennis Center for Public Service Training and Development.

With best wishes, I am  
Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

#### COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Washington, DC, October 21, 2014.

Hon. JOHN A. BOEHNER,  
Speaker, House of Representatives,  
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on October 21, 2014, at 10:50 a.m.:

Appointments:  
National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity.

With best wishes, I am  
Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

#### COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Washington, DC, September 25, 2014.

Hon. JOHN A. BOEHNER,  
Speaker, House of Representatives,  
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: This is to notify you formally, pursuant to Rule VIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, that I have been served with a grand jury subpoena for documents issued by the United States District Court for the District of Columbia in connection with a matter now pending before the grand jury.

After consultation with the Office of General Counsel, I have determined that compliance with the subpoena is consistent with the privileges and rights of the House.

Sincerely,

ED CASSIDY.